turn from New Jersey. PLEASED WITH THE ROADS SEEN.

Trip Will Be Productive of

eithout exception, that, barof the weather, the disagreeable feature can be said that when it comes g their guests a right royal time,

Virginians, was plainly evident manner in which the remarks r were received. Senator ference to his New Jersey ared to please his hearers hairman Diggs's statement

tween Riverton and Moores-which the Virginia parts

are not confined to townships or coun-ties, but extend over the entire State; therefore, State authorities should con-trol them. But roads may turn a success-ful farmer to a business loss, Before the construction of stone roads in Burlington

onstruction of stone roads in Burlington nig cunty it cost is cents per basket to market truck; now it costs 3 cents."

Mr. Henry I. Budd, Road Commissioner of New Jersey, is a cousin of Dr. 2 W. Budd, of Petersburg, Va. It is said that if the Virginia Good-Roads Acsociation is unsuccessful in getting a tax of 3 per cent. on \$100 laid for the improvement of roads, they will advocate a tax of \$2 on the \$160 for the first year. 3 the next, and so on until the \$5 rate is reached.

by morning.

Mr. Herkeley's bill, which seeks to boilsh the statute that provides that in come cases a division of fees and fines hall be made with the informant was avorably reported by the House Committee for Courts of Justice.

The House Committee on Militia and Police will meet in the hall of the House Court of Delegates to night at 8 o'clock to con-

of Delegates to-night at 8 o'clock to con-sider the various military bills now pend-ing before it, and it is expected that a number of military officers will appear. The sub-committee to formulate a report of the recent investigation will probably hand in its finding.

THE TENNESSEE EXHIBITION.

The Centennial Next Year Will Be a Grand Affair-Virginia Invited.

Grand Affair—Virginia Invited.

Major A. M. Wheeler, secretary of the
New York Commission to Atlanta, is at
Ford's, en route to New York. He said
to a Dispatch representative yesterday:
"We have presented the handsome New
York State Building to the Atlanta Driving Club, and given the contents to Booker Washington Industrial School. Atlanta,
Georgia, and all the Southern States have
vectived an incalculable benefit from the
exposition. Seventy-five per cent, of the
attendance was from the North, while
much was accomplished in obtaining settlers, and it was evident that much more
ought and could have been done.

educators, and do great good to the hundreds of thousands who rarely, if ever, go 100 miles from home-citizens are made better and more loyal by them. The exhibit of Virginia, like several other States, was unfortunately confined to answer history.

at history. The Tennersce Centennial comes next. The Tennessee Centennial comes next. Her committee occupied the New York State Building for seven weeks, observing closely and preparing to remedy errors and surpass its attractions. The centennial ceremonies will be in 1898, but the calibition will be from May to October, 1897, and upon a much larger and grander scale than originally contemplated. It may surprise you to know that it will be greater than Atlanta's. They have now subscribed double what Atlanta started with. The grounds are larger, the

now subscribed double what Atlant started with. The grounds are larger, the every county has or will subscribe liberally and have an exhibit; Memphia, Knoxville, Chattanooga, and other cities co-operate generally with Nashville, and if hard work, united efforts, and liberallity and generosity can do it a great success will be scored. They are acting patriotically and making money out of the visitors is not even contemplated. To show the world the beauty and attractions of their State, and to extend an invitation to see the best place and people on earth, is apparently their sole object. Their officials and committees comprise the live and progressive men of the State.

"In asking other States to co-operate."

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SHE TREATED HIM BADLY.

band's Money and Leaves.

Nothing has as yet been learned as to who, on Tuesday morning, mysteriously left her husband, a saloonist on Seventh Broad and Marshall, taking with her their 4-months-old baby.

saying that she was going out for a walk, and with the infant in her arms she de-parted. Several hours later Mr. Akins, parted. Several hours later Mr. Akins, upon going to his safe to get out some money to pay a bill, found to his astonishment that all his money had been taken, and in one of the drawers was a note from Mrs. Akins, The bushand reported the matter at the office of the Chief of Police, and Sergeant Alexander.

M. Tomlinson was detailed to work up the care.

Sir, Akins is a new-comer to Richmond, having moved here just a few weeks ago from the southern part of Georgia. He declines to discuss the departure of his

Miss M. Estelle Blunt and Mr. Gilbert Lee Satterwhite were married at 9:30 o'clock last night at Venable-Street Bap-tist church by Rev. Dr. Dill. A large number of friends of the young couple gathered at the church to see the cere-mony performed. The church was beau-tifully decorated.

The condition of Colonel Tazewell El-leit, who is ill with pneumonia, at the Westmoreland Club, was reported to have been still more hopeful at an early hour this morning. He was resting fairly well,

Personals and Briefs.

Mr. William Ryan, Collector of Internal Revenue, left for Washington last night on official business.

Little Stuart D. Craig, who met with a pathful accident on Saturday by falling down a flight of steps, is getting along quite well.

Mrs. George Blake, of Newport News, arrived in this city yesterday, and is ston-ping with Mrs. H. B. Haley, No. 256 Grove avenue.

Miss Bessie Collins, who has been spending the winter with her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Barton, leaves to-day for her home, in

The condition of Captain W. H. Maxwell, who has been ill at the Virginia Hospital for several days with grip, was

mproved yesterday, ished father, the late General W. H. F. Lee.

Prayer meetings will be held at Calvary Baptist church to-night and to-morrow night. On Sunday the church will begin a series of meetings, conducted by Rev. Dr. McConneil, of Lynchburg.

Separation of Court Districts-Free-Pass Investigation.

JACKSON, MISS., February 5.-A bill has passed both houses of the Legislature making Lauderdals county and the city of Meriden separate circuit and chancery-

of Meriden separate circuit and chancerycourt districts. It is understood that
Colonel J. C. McIntosh will be appointed
judge. The salary is \$2.400.
Senator Nocl introduced a resolution instructing the joint committee appointed
to investigate State offices to appoint a
subcommittee to ascertain whether or not
the rallroad commissioners have violated
the Code chapter which prohibits them
from riding on free passes, and if they
have to report a bill to secure observance
in future. No Mississippl commissioner
or judge is allowed to ride on a free pass,

Archbishop Corrigan Going South position. Seventy-five per cent, of the position. Seventy-five per cent, of the lendance was from the North, while such was accomplished in, obtaining settles and it was evident that much more gift and could have been done.

"Exhibitions of this character are great in the service of the ser

Out a Family Murder and Suicide Wip in Chicago.

Father, Mother, Children, and Self.

NO MONEY; NO HOPE OF

CHICAGO, ILL., February 5 .- An entire family, consisting of seven persons, was found dead this morning, the result of the murderous work and suicide last night of Richard Kloettke, a carpenter, residing at 207 Borteau avenue. dead are:

Richard Kloettke, aged 38.

Kate Kloettke, his wife. John Kloettke, his father; aged 72. Mina Kloettke, his mother; aged 71. Mina Kloettke, his daughter; aged 2. Anna Kloettke, daughter; aged 5. Emma Kloettke, daughter; aged 7.

The discovery was made at 7:30 o'clock this morning by a neighbor, who called at the Kloettke residence to get some

The victims were all killed by shots from a revolver, which was found by Kloettke's side.

Kloettke had been out of work for some time, had no money, and no prospect of getting work.

PATHETIC FEATURE. Kleetike had been out of work since Christmas. A pathetic feature of the tragedy is that two neighbors called at the Kleetike cottage this morning, each with the glad news of employment for

Each of Kloettke's victims was shot

all the victims, presented any indica-on of a struggle. Her hands were ratched and her clothing torn.

WRETCHED SULTAN.

Account of Abdil Hamid, the

character of the Sultan of Turkey

is the most profound mystery of our know his origin and history, we have is perhaps proved by the fact ments in perhaps proved by the fact that I knew and published in the Lon-don Chronicle his acceptance of the pro-ject of Armenian reforms twenty-four hours before any one else in Europe. Therefore I may perhaps throw a little light upon the mystery. THE PERSON OF ABOUL HAMID,

in the county it cost is cents per basket. Until the county it cost is cents per basket to the street may be a series of meetings, conducted by leve. The cost is cents as a series of meetings, conducted by leve. The cost is cents of the cost is cents of the cost of the

ing cry of "Yssak reaches you. A second a sentry's bayonet and lock of his rifle bid you p appear to show the slig! plained mysteries of the Ottoman capital.
For uppermost in the mind of the Sultan at every moment of day and night is his dread of assassination. The water he drinks is brought from a safe distance in scaled casks. His food is prepared with unimaginable precautions, and tasted by others before it reaches his lips. He never sleeps in the same place for two nights running. He has a bedroom to which he ascends by a ladder, pulling it up after Whenever he receives a foreigner ho men tortured, shot, hung, guillotined, and beheaded, but I have never seen such ter-ror lurk in human eyes as was betrayed by this "king of kings" as he drove through the ranks of thousands of

You will not have

It is this same dread that has allotted peir respective uses to the three floors coffee, served in jewelled cups. When diplomatists are invited to dine at Yildiz it occasionally happens that the Sultan sits at the same table with them, but more often he sits in his own apartment.

a long interview with the Sultan, left again immediately with 500 and a Turkish order, and his journal-one of the most influential in Europe-published a long article, poo-poohing the Armenian miassacre, and praising to the skies the Sultan's benevolent rule. The French press is regularly bribed by the Turkish Embassy in Paris, just as it is by M. Blaux, the director of Monte Cario.

THE PERSON OF ABOUL HAMID.

Take the outward man first. Abdid discovered the processor of t

England in 1897; that the shaft among the cypresses in the cemetery at Cutari commemorates English and French support against Russia in 1857, and that anothe column on the Rosporus tells how Russis aved Mohaoud II, his empire in 1857 "You think us weak," said a Turkisi statesman recently to a foreign ambassa dor, "but in truth we are very strong for our strength is rooted in your divisions."

Marjorie and L.

(Idler.)
reddened with blossoming A blue, enchanted sky—
A girl in her bloom, and her mate and

Marjorie and I I was her playfellow, dear as a brother, Love led us both unawares; At nights our dreams were all of each

Mariorie and I. We shared all things; the triffing sorrow-The momentary bliss-Each night in our hearts we longed for And parted with a kiss,

My little sweetheart was a child all over-Whenever I came she smiled.
(I hardly think you would know your lover.
Now, If we met, dear child?)
Kisses in youth may bloom in plenty, The sweetest I've laid by-Taken by me, in love and twenty, From you, lifteen and say.

RAILROAD DOOMSDAY

All the Radical Bills in the South Carolina House Passed.

ras a sort of doomsday for railroads in he House. All the radical bills aimed at

the railroads, and no time was lost in de-ing so, the action of the night before in adopting the bill providing for for-feiture of charters for failure to operate rates fixed by the State railroad commis-sion having set the page. A bill was passed fixing an arbitrary first-class pas-senger rate of 3 cents per passenger rate of 3 cents per mile, and a second-class rate of 21-2 cents per mile The separate-coach bill was also passed. To-night the House came very near passing a bill to absolutely prohibit the running of any freight train between 12 o'clock Saturday and 12 o'clock Sunday

A new bill was introduced to-day to regulate the movement of cars, trains, and traffic between lines connecting with lines in this State, and to prevent any discrimination in the rates charged, or facilities offered such king. ination, and to require equal facili-and advantages to all ratiroad com-ies in or out of the State; to provide he issuance and recognition she bills of lading by all railr business in this State, to pre-ion of freight; to provide pe-jolation of the law; to co-

SCHOOL DAY S IN OLD DIXIE. Teacher Of

ent therefor

She was the queerest, q little old woman, and ever passed through the waiting-roo big dry-goods shop stopped in th those stiff black silks such as were in style fifty years ago, and it was made with a very full skirt and a spencer waist. The sleeves drooped from the with a very full skift and a speace, waist. The sleeves drooped from the shoulders, and a mink tippet, very skimey, fell back, disclosing her brooch, a miniature of a young men set in a wreath of hair. As for her bonnet, it was one of the old-time straw scoops with a tail of black slik and black slik. strings. Her actions were as funny as her appearance, and the gray corkscrew curis shook and shook as she laughed and laughed all to herself. After swhile two younger women joined her and one of them said, "Aunt Texas, do you feel that secti

of them said. "Aunt Texas, do you feel rested yet?"

"Not quite, my dear," she answered, going into another fit of laughter. "You see I'm an old woman, and this rush bewilders me. I've heen living here thirty years the last day of this year, and I haven't got used to it yet, But I think I'll be able to move back South next year. I will if the publishers take my book. You see, I can't get ahead just writing little sketches for the magazines and papers, but I think they'll take the book. It's a very good thing," and again she began to laugh.

"Whatever is the matter with you, Aunt Texas" asked one of the young women, with a touch of impatience. "People will think you are crazy."

HER ADVICE.

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"I can't help it. I've been so amused.
Two giris sat down on the couch by me
for awhile, and they were 'perfectly
furlous,' so they said, because every
school in New York and Brooklyn would
close on Friday except theirs—the Brooklyn High School—and that they would
have to getely us to Wednesday. They lyn High School-and that they would have to go right up to Wednesday. They gave their teachers fits, and what do you suppose I did? I advised them 'to turn the teachers out.' They starred at me, one put her finger to her head signifisuppose I did? I among the states of the teachers out.' They stares one put her finger to her head significantly, winked at the other, and both got up an scuttled off as hard as they could tear. Poor dears! they don't know what fun it is to turn a teacher out. We always did so at Christmas time in the South; but, dear me, that was nearly three quarters of a century ago, and I was a very small girl. The conditions surrounding the schools are very different to-day. Then the teacher was engaged for a year of 365 days, and if he lost one from any cause he had to make it up.

BOARDED 'ROUND.

BOARDE

a sort of divinity. He boarded 'round among his scholars, going to one house to-night and to another to-morrow night, and his dinner was put up in the ti pall with the children's, and he always took dinner with those scholars at whose house he had spent the previous night. In getting up a school the teacher would write his 'article,' stating what he would teach, and the price, and the patrons would sign their names to this document, with the number of scholars they would send and pay for. The price was from \$5 to \$8 a year for each pupil. The teacher who received \$150 at the end of the year was considered very fortunate, for that was about \$75 more than he could make on a farm. BOYS AND GIRLS.

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"The schools were mixed, the larger pupils being from 18 to 21 years of age. Such a thing as recess, much less holidays, was unknown, and the master took in school as soon as he arrived in the morning, which in the summer was often as early as 6 o'clock. I went to school with a 5-year-old boy, who walked five miles, and was always on hand by 6 until cold weather set in, and then the little fellow did not get there until 8. He is now the honored president of a big, southern bank. The school-houses were built of huge logs, and furnished with slab benches for the scholars, and a pine table and split-bottom chair for the teacher. There were no desks, and the only use the master had for his table was for the pupils to lay their quill-pens on to be mended, and for him to write copies on. We had no copy-books, but haif a quire of foolscap paper, stitched, did just as well. When 'copy-books' were called for there was a great splutteration. The writing-bench or desk was a slab or plank resting on pins on the side of the log wall, and the pupils sat on a long bench by this to make their straight marks or 'pot-books.' The light came in through an opening above the writing-slab, which was made by leaving out one log at the top of the wall, and I can see the beams now as they fell on some of the maxims set for copies.

CALL. "BOOKS."

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'The pupils remained on the hard, slab benches from the time school opened until noon, when playtime was given for two hours. Then the teacher would go to the door and call 'Books' as loud as she could, and in they would rush, but always before taking up books sgain they would go to the spring branch near by and wash their hands. That was as much a part of the curriculum as was Weester's blue-back spelling-book, which was the only one that the smaller children had. The larger scholars had perhaps, some sort of reading-book. Smiley's or Pike's arithmetic, and a slats. That was the entire stock of text-books in the majority of the schools in the Piedmont section in the old days."

"But, you started to tell about how the

est woman.
"So I did, my dear; and I will, if your services are the services and I will be serviced to the services are the services are services and the services are services are services as a service are services are service

To I did. my dear; and I will, if you'll give me time. The young people of this day and generation really rush through life at such a rate that they cannot even wait for a person to tell a thing as it should be told."

Several tired shoupers had become interested in what the little old lady was saying by this time, and they all smiled at the gentle rebuke. She went out. The scholars forced the teacher to give them a week at Christmas; in other words, they 'turned the teacher out.' The girls did not take any part in this performance, but they enjoyed the first immensely. The day before Christmas the larger boys would go to the schoolar in the master, anticipating this, would be a little later than usual. The scholars first laid in a good supply of wood, built a roating fire in the big fireplace, and then proceeded to har the door. They had no windows then. As soon as the tencher arrived he was promptly cracked in the walls, that through the

other year's work. Now if the the Brooklyn High School in enough, they would 'turn their to out' the day before Christmas, an

of 'books' in two or three days.

wouldn't quarrel; I would act if I was a
pupil there; but, dear me, it's been sixty.

five years since I was a schoolgir!," and
again she began to laugh. As her two
nieces led her again into the big store
one tired Christmas shopper exclaimed.

"Isn't she a refreshing old darling after
the women that one meets around the the women that one meets around the Christmas bargain counters? She look and talks as if she might have lived justifier the flood."

The Way to Help the Veteraus. (Roanoke World.)

(Roanoke World.)

The Richmond Dispatch, referring to the criticisms of the Legislature on its failure to observe a holiday out of respect to the memory of General Lee, says it would have been forgiven if the day had been devoted to the consideration of measures for the benefit of the Confederate veterans. In this connection the Dispatch also expresses the opinion that the people would not object to a special tax for an increase of pensions, since the State is able to do but little for the old soidier out of its present revenue.

we might materially aid the deserving our soldiers without increasing the burden of taxation.

Reduce the army of office-holders and put the substance they now absorb to the relief of the defenders of the State, and to the improvement of our educational and eleemosynary institutions. This can be done by a revision of the Constitution, and a more efficient and economical organization of the State Government.

Will the Legislature give the people an opportunity to say whether this change shall be made? Will it take the side of the office-holders against the people? Will it say to the people, "The burdens you have you must bear; and if you wow! help the disabled veterans of the war and extend the public-school system, taxation must be increased?"

Superintendent Massey calls for more money for the schools, The friends of old soldiers, and that includes everybody, justly ask for more help from the State. At the same time property valuation has decreased, and there has been a falling off in the public revenue. Certainly, this is a most opportune time for disposing of every needless expense, and the administration.

If members of the Legislature will study the Constitution of Virginia in comparison with the constitutions of other States, they will find many ways of decreasing the public expenses.

SPRINGS failed to cure W. Lower of the administration of comments of the states, they will find many ways of decreasing the public expenses.

HOT SPRINGS failed to ours W. A. Loomis, Shreveport La, of a terrible case of contagious blood poison. He also spent hun-reds of dollars with the best physicians, but without any relief, wen after he had lost all of so this hair. It is the only sure cure for this terrible SSS.

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